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Subject: Amendment Request- 12-14 South Hunt Road, Amesbury (DEP File #002-1266)

Good afternoon,

MassDEP is in receipt of the Amendment Request, dated December 9, 2021, that was filed for the project site referenced above. MassDEP does not typically provide comments for an amendment request; however, given that some of the activities have already or will result in wetland alteration, I thought it makes sense to provide the following comments:

In accordance with MassDEP Wetlands Policy: Amending Order 85-4, <https://www.mass.gov/guides/wetlands-program-policy-85-4-amended-ordersan>, an amendment to an Order of Conditions should be filed for changes that are relatively minor. Substantial changes (i.e., potential for adverse wetland impacts have increased or scope of work has increased) would warrant the filing of a new Notice of Intent. It is MassDEP's opinion that the amendment, which is seeking approval for additional BVW alteration and providing replication, as well as redesigning portions of the stormwater system, are substantial changes to the project, and cannot be approved under this process. The proponent should consider relocating the retaining wall out of the BVW to avoid wetland alteration and be required to restore the BVW to its preexisting conditions. Also, any stormwater infiltration unit must be placed greater than 50' or greater from a surface water (i.e., a wetland resource area) (see Vol. 1, Ch 1. Table RR pg 8) and are required to have a least 2 feet separation from the bottom of the infiltration unit to estimated seasonal high groundwater. If the unit is within 4 feet of estimated seasonal high groundwater, a mounding analysis is needed.

Please be sure to send MassDEP copies of any revised or supplemental information that is submitted to the Amesbury Conservation Commission. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
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From: Merrill, Pamela (DEP)
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Good afternoon,

Attached please find MassDEP's comment letter regarding the project referenced above. Please be sure to provide MassDEP with copies of revised or supplement information that is submitted to the Amesbury Conservation Commission.

Please let me me know if you have any questions or comments.

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